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December 10, 2010

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

THE COMMISSION

THROUGH:

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ACTING STAFF DIRECTOR

FROM:

PATRICIA CARMONA M for PC

CHIEF COMPLIANCE OFFICER

DEBBIE CHACONA-

ASSISTANT STAFF DIRECTOR REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION

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BY:

NATALIYA IOFFE/SARI PICKERALL/IAN WANDNER

COMPLIANCE BRANCH

SUBJECT:

REASON TO BELIEVE RECOMMENDATION – 2010 OCTOBER OUARTERLY REPORT (NON-ELECTION SENSITIVE) FOR THE

ADMINISTRATIVE FINE PROGRAM

Attached is a list of political committees and their treasurers who failed to file the 2010 October Quarterly Report in accordance with 2 U.S.C. 434(a). The October Quarterly Report was due on October 15, 2010.

The committees listed in the attached RTB Circulation Report either failed to file the report, filed the report more than five (5) days after the due date, or filed the report more than thirty (30) days after the due date (considered a non-filed report). In accordance with the schedule of civil money penalties for reports at 11 CFR 111.43, these committees should be assessed the civil money penalties highlighted on the attached circulation report.

#### Recommendation

- 1. Find reason to believe that the political committees and their treasurers listed on the RTB Circulation Report violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalties would be the amounts indicated on the RTB Circulation Report.
- 2. Send the appropriate letters.

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LOA	\$51,704	\$44,000	\$51,165 (est)								\$60,174	\$73,884 (est)						
Days Late	13	Not Filed	Not Filed								,,	Not Filed						
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Committee Name	ANDRE WILLIAMS FOR CONGRESS	CARLINEO FOR CONGRESS	CHUCK FLUME FOR						·		JAY FLEITMAN FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE	JIM HOLT CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE						
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#### BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of	)	
Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2010	)	
October Quarterly Report (Non-Election	)	•
Sensitive) for the Administrative Fine	)	
Program:	)	
MATTHEW BURKE FOR CONGRESS,	)	<b>AF# 2235</b>
and BURKE, JENNIFER as treasurer;	)	
ANDRE WILLIAMS FOR CONGRESS,	)	AF# 2212
and DAVID EVERETT MARKO as	)	
treasurer;	)	
LUIS MEURICE FOR CONGRESS	ĺ	AF# 2232
COMMITTEE, and BERNARD A	j	
BECKER as treasurer;	í	
WILL BOYD FOR US SENATE, and	ĺ	AF# 2253
WILLIE "WILL" BOYD JR as treasurer;	ĺ	
JAY FLEITMAN FOR CONGRESS	)	AF# 2225
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COMMITTEE, and MARY LOU STUART	)	
as treasurer;	)	
	)	AF# 2249
as treasurer;	)	AF# 2249
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JIM HOLT CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE, AF# 2226 and MARC MILLSAP as treasurer; MARK FRENCH FOR CONGRESS, and AF# 2234 KATHLEEN CARRELL FRENCH as treasurer; MORGAN FOR CONGRESS, and AF# 2237 SNYDEN, RD HON. as treasurer; AF# 2238 MULLEN FOR CONGRESS, and STUART WAYNE MCMAHEN as treasurer; AF# 2242 RICHARD LAKE FOR CONGRESS, and BRADLEY, TERRANCE as treasurer; AF# 2243 SCOTT TAYLOR FOR CONGRESS, and ITHIEL HARLEY THOMAS IV as

treasurer;

SHELDON GOLDSTEIN FOR CONGRESS, and JUSTIN MOORE as trearurer;	)	AF# 2246
SINGH FOR CONGRESS, and TIMOTHY J DAVIS as treasurer;	) )	AF# 2248
TIM WOOLDRIDGE FOR CONGRESS, and CHARLES R PARTLOW as treasurer;	)	AF# 2250
WADE FOR DELAWARE, and HARRY SKILTON as treasurer;	)	AF# 2252

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Shawn Woodhead Werth, Secretary and Clark of the Federal Election

Commission, do hereby certify that on December 15, 2010 the Commission took the

following actions on the Reason To Believe Recommendation - 2010 October

Quarterly Report (Non-Election Sensitive) for the Administrative Fine Program as
recommended in the Reports Analysis Division's Memorandum dated December 13,

2010, on the following committees:

AF#2235 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that MATTHEW BURKE FOR CONGRESS, and BURKE, JENNIFER as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2212 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that ANDRE WILLIAMS FOR CONGRESS, and DAVID EVERETF MARKO as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners

Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2232 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that LUIS MEURICE FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE, and BERNARD A BECKER as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2253 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that WILL BOYD FOR US SENATE, and WILLIE "WILL" BOYD JR as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2225 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that JAY FLEITMAN FOR CONGRESS COMMITTEE, and MARY LOU STUART as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2249 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SUE LOWDEN FOR U S SENATE, and BOB BEERS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2213 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CARLINEO FOR CONGRESS, and CARLINEO, GLORIA as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount

indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2215 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that CHUCK FLUME FOR CONGRESS, and BRUCE BLOCH as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2226 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that JIM HOLT CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE, and MARC MILLSAP as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2234 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that MARK FRENCH FOR CONGRESS, and KATHLEEN CARRELL FRENCH as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Huhter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2237 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that MORGAN FOR CONGRESS, and SNYDEN, RD HON. as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2238 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that MULLEN FOR CONGRESS, and STUART WAYNE MCMAHEN as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Buuerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2242 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that RICHARD LAKE FOR CONGRESS, and BRADLEY, TERRANCE as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2243 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SCOTT TAYLOR FOR CONGRESS, and ITHIEL HARLEY THOMAS IV as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2246 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SHELDON GOLDSTEIN FOR CONGRESS, and JUSTIN MOORE as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

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AF#2248 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that SINGH FOR CONGRESS, and TIMOTHY J DAVIS as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2250 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that TIM WOOLDRIDGE FOR CONGRESS, and CHARLES R PARTLOW as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

AF#2252 Decided by a vote of 6-0 to: (1) find reason to believe that WADE FOR DELAWARE, and HARRY SKILTON as treasurer violated 2 U.S.C. 434(a) and make a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty would be the amount indicated on the report; (2) send the appropriate letter. Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

December 17, 2010

Shawn Woodhead Werth

Secretary and Clerk of the Commission



December 21, 2010

Bruce Bloch, in official capacity as Treasurer Chuck Flume for Congress 208 N. Ring Dove Drive Las Vegas, NV 89144

C00480434 AF#: 2215

Dear Mr. Bloch:

The Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended ("the Act"), requires that your committee file an October Quarterly Report of Receipts and Disbursements every calendar year. This report, covering the period through September 30th, shall be filed no later than October 15th. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a). Records at the Federal Election Commission ("FEC") indicate that this report was not filed within thirty (30) days of the due date. You should file this report if you have not already done so.

The Act permits the FEC to impose civil money penalties for violations of the reporting requirements of 2 U.S.C. § 434(a). 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4). On December 15, 2010, the FEC found that there is reason to believe ("RTB") that Chuck Flume for Congress and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) by failing to file timely this report on or before October 15th.

Based on the FEC's schedules of civil money penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at the RTB stage is \$2,970. Please see the attached copy of the Commission's administrative fine regulations at 11 C.F.R. §§ 111.30-111.46. Attachment 1. The Commission's website contains further information about how the administrative fine program works and how the fines are calculated. See <a href="http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml">http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml</a>. 11 C.F.R. § 111.34. Your payment of \$2,970 is due within forty (40) days of the finding, nr by January 24, 2011, and is based on these factors:

Sensitivity of Report: Not Election Sensitive

Level of Activity: \$51,165 Number of Days Late: Not Filed

Number of Previous Civil Money Penalties Assessed: 0

At this juncture, the following courses of action are available to you:

#### 1. If You Chnose to Challenge the RTB Finding and/or Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to challenge the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money penalty, you must submit a written response, including the AF# found at the top of page 1 under your Attachment 3

committee's identification number, to the FEC's Office of Administrative Review, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. Your response must be received within forty (40) days of the Commission's RTB finding, or January 24, 2011. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(a). Your written response must include the reason(s) why you are challenging the RTB finding and/or calculated civil money ponalty, and must include the factual brain supporting the reason(s) and supporting documentation. The FEC strongly encourages that documents be submitted in the form of affidavits or declarations. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(c).

The FEC will only consider challenges that are based on at least one of three grounds: (1) a factual error in the RTB finding; (2) miscalculation of the calculated civil money penalty by the FEC; or (3) your demonstrated use of best efforts to file in a timely manner when prevented from doing so by reasonably unforeseen circumstances that were beyond your control. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(b). In order for a challenge to be considered on the basis of best efforts, you must have filed the required report no later than 24 nours after the end of these reasonably unforeseen circumstances. Id. Examples of circumstances that will be considered repsonsbly unfereseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to, (1) a failure of Commission computers or Commission-provided software despite your seeking technical assistance from Commission personnel and resources; (2) a widespread disruption of information transmissions over the Internet that is not caused by a failure of the Commission's or your computer systems or Internet service provider; and (3) severe weather or other disaster-related incident. 111.35(c). Examples of circumstances that will not be considered reasonably unforeseen and beyond your control include, but are not limited to, (1) negligence; (2) delays caused by vendors or contractors; (3) treasurer and staff illness, inexperience or unavailability; (4) committee computer, software, or Internet service provider failures; (5) failure to know filing dates; and (6) failure to use firing software properly. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(d).

The "failure to raise an argument in a timely fashion during the administrative process shall be deemed a waiver" of your right to present such argument in a petition to the U.S. district court under 2 U.S.C. § 437g. 11 C.F.R. § 111.38.

If you intend to be represented by counsel, please advise the Office of Administrative Review. You should provide, in writing, the name, address and telephone number of your counsel and authorize counsel to receive notifications and communications relating to this challenge and imposition of the calculated civil money penalty.

#### 2. If You Choose Not to Pay the Civil Money Penalty and Not to Sulmit a Challenge

If you do not pay the calculated civil money penalty and do not submit a written response, the FEC will assume that the preceding factual allegations are true and make a final determination that Chuck Flume for Congress and you, in your official capacity as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty.

Unpaid civil money penalties assessed through the Administrative Fine regulations will be subject to the Debt Collection Act of 1982 ("DCA"), as amended by the Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, 31 U.S.C. § 3701 et seq. The FEC may take any and all appropriate action authorized and required by the DCA, as accended, including transfer to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection. 11 C.F.R. § 111.51(a)(2).

#### 3. If You Choose to Pay the Civil Money Penalty

If you should decide to pay the calculated civil money penalty, send the enclosed remittance form, along with your payment, to the FEC at the address on page 4. Upon receipt of your payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

This matter was generated based on information ascertained by the FEC in the normal course of carrying out its supervisory responsibilities. 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(2). It will remain confidential in accordance with 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(4)(B) and 437g(a)(12)(A) until it is placed on the public record in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.42, unless you notify the FEC in writing that you wish the matter to be made public.

As noted earlier, you may obtain additional information on the FEC's administrative fine program, including the final regulations, on the FEC's website at http://www.fec.gov/af/af.shtml. If you have questions regarding the payment of the calculated civil money penalty, please contact Sari Pickerall in the Reports Analysis Division at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5) or (202) 694-1130. If you have questions regarding the submission of a challenge, please contact the Office of Administrative Review at our toll free number (800) 424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202) 694-1660.

On behalf of the Commission,

#### **ADMINISTRATIVE FINE REMITTANCE & PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS**

In accordance with the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43, the amount of your civil money penalty calculated at RTB is \$2,970 for the 2010 October Quarterly Report.

Please mail this remittance with a check or money order made payable to the Federal Election Commission to the following address:

Federal Election Commission P.O. Box 979058 St. Louis, MO 63197-9000

If you choose to send your remittance and payment by courier or overnight delivery, please use this address:

U.S. Bank - Government Lockbox FEC #979058 1005 Convention Plaza Attn: Government Lockbox, SL-MO-C2GL

St. Louis, MO 63101

The remittance and your payment are due by January 24, 2011. Upon receipt of your remittance and payment, the FEC will send you a final determination letter.

#### PAYMENTS BY PERSONAL CHECK

Personal checks will be converted into electronic funds transfers (EFTS). Your account will be electronically debited for the amount on your check, usually within 24 hours, and the debit will appear on your regular statement. We will destroy your original check and keep a copy of it. In case the EFT cannot be processed for technical reasons, you authorize us to process the copy in lieu of the original check. Should the EFT not be completed because of insufficient funds, we may try to make the transfer twice.

#### PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THE PORTION BELOW WITH YOUR PAYMENT

FOR: Chuck Flume for Congress

FEC ID#: C00480434

AF#: 2215

PAYMENT DUE DATE: January 24, 2011

PAYMENT AMOUNT DUE: \$2,970

Attachment 3



January 21, 2011

**Federal Election Commission** 

Office of Administrative Review

999 E St. NW

Washington DC, 20463

Re: AF#: 2215 Chuck Flume for Congress

We are in receipt of you letter dated December 21, 2010 regarding the non-filing of the October 2010 quarterly report and the associated penalty calculation. We respectfully challenge the RTB finding and the associated penalty.

Chuck Flume for Congress ceased activity in the second quarter of 2010. All funds were disbursed and zero balances in the accounts were reported in the second quarter report. The report filed in July should have been the final report.

We respectfully submit that a third quarter report was not required and therefore no penalty should be assessed.

If there is anything that we failed to do or need to do procedurally, please let us know and we will cooperated fully to bring this campaign to a close.

Sincerely,

Bruce Bloch, Treasurer



Via First Class Mail

January 24, 2011

Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer Chuck Flume for Congress 208 N Ring Dove Drive Las Vegas, NV 89144

C00480434 AF#: 2215

Dear Mr. Bloch:

On January 24, 2011, the Commission's Office of Administrative Review ("OAR") received your written response ("challenge") which is being reviewed by OAR. If you have any questions regarding your challenge, please contact this Office on our toll free number (800)424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202)694-1660.

Sincerely,

Dayna C. Brown Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review

FEC OFFICE OF ADMIN REVIEW

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**Date:** January 25, 2011

## REFERRAL TO OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW CHALLENGE RECEIVED

**AF#: 2215** 

Committee Name: Chuck Flume for Congress

Committee ID#: C00480434

Committee Address (if different than in RTB letter): N/A

Treasurer Name (if different than in RTB finding): N/A

Attachments:

Copy of RTB Circulation Report, dated December 10, 2010 and RTB

Certification, dated December 15, 2010 (Y/N): N

Attachment #: N/A

Proof of Delivery (to be forwarded at later date if not yet received) (Y/N): Y

Attechment #: 1

Other Relevant Telecoms (Y/N): N

Attachment #: N/A

Original Correspondence Received by RAD in Response to RTB Letter (Y/N): N

Attachment #: N/A

RAD Staff Declaration (Y/N): Y

-2010 October Quarterly Report Prior Notice, dated September 21, 2010.

-Non-Filer Notice, dated Novomber 4, 2010.

-RTB Letter, dated December 21, 2010.

Attachment #: 3

Other RAD Information: (Y/N): Y

Attachment#: 4



#### **Delivery Notification**

Dear Customer,

This notice serves as proof of delivery for the shipment listed below.

Tracking Number:

1Z WF5 860 A2 9504 587 4

Reference Number(s): RAD, 295CG0NB6DC

Serviue:

**NEXT DAY AIR** 

Special Instructions: ADULT SIGNATURE REQUIRED

Shipped/Billed On:

12/30/2010

Delivered On: **Delivered To:** 

01/03/2011 9:04 A.M. 1401 HILLSHIRE DR

LAS VEGAS, NV, US 89134

Location:

**OFFICE** 

Thank you for giving us this opportunity to serve you.

Sincerely, **UPS** 

Tracking results provided by UPS: 01/05/2011 1:28 P.M. ET

#### **DECLARATION OF JODI WINSHIP**

- I am the Acting Chief of the Compliance Branch for the Reports Analysis Division of the
  Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Acting Chief of the
  Compliance Branch, I oversee the initial processing of the Administrative Fine Program. I
  make this declaration based on my personal knowledge and, if called upon as a witness, could
  and would testify competently to the following matters.
- 2. I hereby certify that documents identified herein are true and accurate copies of the following sent by the Commission to Chuck Flume for Congress:
  - A) Prior Notice, dated September 21, 2010, referencing the 2010 October Quarterly Report (sent via electronic mail to: chuck@chuckflumeforcongress.com);
  - B) Non-Filer Letter, dated November 4, 2010, referencing the 2010 October Quarterly Report;
  - C) Reason-to-Believe Letter, dated December 21, 2010, referencing the 2010 October Quarterly Report.

I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and find that Chuck Flume for Congress has not filed the 2010 October Quarterly Report with the Commission.

 Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that all relevant telecoms for the matter have been provided. This declaration was executed at Washington, D.C. on the 25th day of January, 2011.

Jodi Winship

Acting Chief, Compliance Branch

Reports Analysis Division Federal Election Commission



#### FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

# CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES PARTIES AND PACS

September 21, 2010

#### **CURRENT REPORT DUE**

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October Quarterly	09/30/10	10/15/10	10/15/10

#### **REPORTING SCHEDULE FOR REMAINDER OF 2010**

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Pre-General <sup>2</sup>	10/13/10	10/18/10	10/21/10
Post-General	11/22/10	12/02/10	12/02/10
Year-End	12/31/10	01/31/11	01/31/11

#### Supplemental Filing Information is available:

- Congressional Committees
- Parties and PACs

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>A reporting period always begins the day after the closing date of the last report filed. If the committee is new and has not previously filed a report, the first report must cover all activity that occurred before the committee registered up through the close of books for the first report due.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Parties and PACs: required only if committee makes contributions or expenditures in connection with the general election during the reporting period.

Congressional Committees: campaign committees of a candidate who participates in the general election must file pre-and post-general election reports.

# 2010 SUPPLEMENTAL FILING INFORMATION CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES

PLEASE NOTE: The Commission provides reminders of upcoming filing dates as a courtesy to help committees comply with the filing deadlines set forth in the Act and Commission regulations. Committee treasurers must comply with all applicable filing deadlines established by law, and the lack of prior notice does not constitute an excuse for failing to comply with any filing deadline.

#### WHO MUST FILE

Principal campaign committees of congressional candidates  $^1$  (including unopposed candidates and candidates whose names do not appear on the ballot) must file Quarterly Reports in 2010.  $^2$ 

Campaigns that raise or spend more than \$5,000 for the 2010 election cycle (and thus trigger registration and reporting requirements) must file quarterly reports throughout 2010, even if the candidate plans to retire, withdraws from the race prior to the primary election, loses the primary or drops out of the race prior to the general election. See 11 CFR 104.5(a)(2).

Before a committee can stop filing with the FEC, it must file a termination report with the Commission. See 11 CFR 102.3. Committees must continue to file reports until the Commission notifies them in writing that their termination report has been accepted.

#### METHODS OF FILING REPORTS

#### **Electronic Filing**

Reports filed electronically must be received and validated by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the filing deadline. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: Electronic Filing Page
- <u>Campaign Guide for Congressional Candidates and Committees (Candidate Guide)</u>, pp. 82-84 [PDF]

#### Paper Filing - Meeting the Filing Deadling

Paper Report filing options -- Registered, Certified or Overnight or First Class Mail. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: Link to Paper Forms (for downloading and printing)
- Candidate Guide, p. 81 [PDF]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Generally, an individual becomes a candidate for federal office (and thus triggers registration and reporting obligations) when his or her campaign exceeds \$5,000 in either contributions or expenditures. If the campaign has not crossed the \$5,000 threshold, it is not required to file reports. See 11 CFR 100.3(a).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> If a candidate has more than one authorized committee, the principal campaign committee must also file a consolidated report on <u>Form 3Z</u> [PDF].

#### PRE- AND POST-ELECTION REPORTS

A committee whose candidate participates in a 2010 state primary, nominating convention or runoff election — even if usupposed — must also file a pre-election report 12 days prior to the primary, manipating convention or nanoff. The campaign committee of a candidate who participates in the general election must file pre- and post-general election reports. See 11 CFR 104.5(a)(2).

- Web Page: 2010 Congressional Pre-Primary Reporting Dates
- The Record: January 2010 issue [PDF]
- Candidate Guide, pp. 79-80 [PDF]

#### **48 HOUR NOTICES ON CONTRIBUTIONS**

Notices are required if the committee receives any contribution (including in-kind gifts or advances of goods or services; loans from the cambidate or other non-bank sources; and guarantees or endorsements of bank hours to the candidate or committee) of \$1,000 or more per source, during the period less than 20 days but more than 48 hours before any election in which the candidate is running.

The notices must reach the appropriate federal filing office within 48 hours of the committee's receipt of the contribution(s).-Campaign committees that file electronically MUST submit their 48-hour notices electronically. See 11 CFR 104.5(f).

- Web Page: Electronic Piling Page
- Web Page: Link to Paper Forms (for downloading and printing)
- Form 6 Fax numbers
  - o Senate campaigns (Secretary of the Senate): (202) 224-1851
  - o House Campaigns (FEC): (202) 219-0174
- Campaign Guide: <u>Candidate Guide</u>, p. 80 [PDF]

#### **COMPLIANCE**

#### Treasurer Responsibility

Committee Treasurers are responsible for both the timeliness and the accuracy of all reports. They may be subject to monetary penalties if reports are inaccurate or are not filed on time. See 11 CFR 104.14(d).

- Statement of Policy Regarding Treasurers Subject to Enforcement Proceedings [PDF]
- Candidate Guida, p. 7 [PDF]

#### **Administrative Fine Program**

Political committees and their treasurers who fail to file their reports on time may be subject to civil money penalties up to \$17,600 (or more for repeat late- and non-filers). <sup>3</sup> See 11 CFR 111.30.

- Web Page: Administrative Fine Program
- Candidate Guide, pp. 81-82 [PDF]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Penalties for late- or non-filing of 48-hour notices are based on the amount of contributions not timely disclosed. As a result, these penalties may exceed \$17,600, even for first-time violations.

#### DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYIST BUNDLING ACTIVITY

Campaign committees must file <u>FEC Form 3L</u> [PDF] if they receive two or more bundled contributions from lobbyists/registrants or lobbyist/registrant PACs that aggregate in excess of \$16,000 during the applicable reporting period (see page 1 of this notice). See 11 CFR 104.22 and 110.17(e).

• The Record: March 2009 issue [PDF]

#### 2010 REPORTING SCHEDULE

Web Page: <u>2010 Reporting Dates Page</u>
The Record: <u>January 2010 issue</u> [PDF]

• Candidate Guide, p. 79 [PDF]

#### **IMPORTANT FILING INFORMATION - PAPER FILERS**

In response to the 2001 anthrax threat, the U.S. Postal Service is irradiating mail directed to many federal agencies, including the FEC and the Secretary of the Senate. <sup>4</sup> This process has not only delayed mail delivery, it has also damaged and in some cases destroyed pieces of mail. As a result, committees that file reports with the FEC may want to consider submitting their reports by some means other than U.S. mail. Alternative methods include electronic filing, overnight mail or delivery service, and hand delivery.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Senate committees should contact the Secretary of the Senate at (202) 224-0322 for more information on filing reports via US mail.

# 2010 SUPPLEMENTAL FILING INFORMATION PACS AND PARTY COMMITTEES

PLEASE NOTE: The Commission provides reminders of upcoming filing dates as a courtesy to help committees comply with the filing deadlines set forth in the Act and Commission regulations. Committee treasurers must comply with all applicable filing deadlines established by law, and the lack of prior notice does not constitute an excuse for failing to comply with any filing deadline.

#### WHO MUST FILE

All Party Committees and PACs (Nonconnected Committees and Separate Segregated Funds) must file either quarterly or monthly reports in 2010. See 11 CFR 104.5(c). Before a committee can stop filing with the FEC, it must file a termination report with the Commission.

See 11 CFR 102.3. Committees must continue to file reports until the Commission notifies them in writing that their termination report has been accepted.

#### METHODS OF FILING REPORTS

#### **Electronic Filing**

Reports filed electronically must be received and validated by the Commission by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the filing deadline. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: Electronic Filing Page
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected Committees (Nonconnected), pp. 51-53 [PDF]; Corporations and Labor Organizations (SSF), pp. 49-51 [PDF]; Political Party Committees (Party), pp. 69-71 [PDF].

#### Paper Filing - Meeting the Filing Deadline

Paper report filing options – Registered, Certified or Overnight or First Class Mail. See 11 CFR 104.5(e).

- Web Page: Link to Paper Forms (for downloading and printing)
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected, pp. 47-48 [PDF]; SSF, pp. 45-46 [PDF]; Party, p. 65 [PDF].

#### PRE-ELECTION REPORTING

Quarterly filing committees that make contributions or expenditures (including independent expenditures) in connection with an election must also file a Pre-Election Report, if the activity was not previously reported. See 11 CFR 104.5(c)(1)(ii).

- Web Page: 2010 Congressional Pre-Primary Reporting Dates Page
- The Record: January 2010 issue [PDF]
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected. pp. 49-51 [PDF]; SSF, pp. 46-48 [PDF]; Party. pp. 67-68 [PDF].

#### **2010 REPORTING SCHEDULE**

- Web Page: 2010 Reporting Dates Page
- The Recard: January 2010 issue [PDF]
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected, pp. 49-51 [PDF]; SSF, pp. 46-48 [PDF]; Party, pp. 67-68 [PDF].

#### **COMPLIANCE**

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- Statement of Policy Regarding Treasurers Subject to Enforcement Proceeding [PDF]
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected, pp. 3-4 [PDF]; SSF, pp. 1-2 [PDF]; Party, pp. 6-7 [PDF].

#### Administrative Fine Program

Failure to file reports on time may be subject to civil money penalties up to \$17,600 (or more for repeat late- or non-filers). See 11 CFR 111.30.

- Web Page: Administrative Fine Program Page
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected, pp. 48-49 [PDF]; SSF, p. 46 [PDF]; Party, p. 66 [PDF].

#### DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYIST BUNDLING ACTIVITY

Party committees and Leadership PACs must simultaneously file FEC Form 3L if they receive two or more bundled contributions from lobbyists/registrants or lobbyist/registrant PACs that aggregate in excess of \$16,000 during the covered period (see page 1 of this notice). See 11 CFR 104.22 and 110.17(e).

- The Record: March 2009 issue [PDF]
- Campaign Guide: Party, pp: 143-149 [PDF]

#### **CHANGE IN FILING FREQUENCY**

Committees able to change their reporting schedule (for example, from monthly to quarterly) who wish to do so must notify the Commission in writing and may change their filing frequency no more than once per calendar year. See 11 CFR 104.5(c).

- Web Page: Filing Frequency by Type of Committee
- Campaign Guide: Nonconnected, p. 51 [PDF]; SSF, p. 49 [PDF]; Party, p. 67 [PDF].

#### 48- AND 24-HOUR REPORTS OF INDEPENDENT EXPENDITURES

Any PAC or Party Committee that makes independent expenditures in 2010 may have to disclose this activity within 48- or 24-hours based upon the date and amount of the expenditure. See 11 CFR 104.4.

- Web Page: 48- and 24-hour periods for independent expanditures for 2010 elections
- Campaign Guide: <u>Nonconnected, pp. 72-74</u> [PDF]; <u>SSF, pp. 65-67</u> [PDF];
   <u>Party, pp. 87-89</u> [PDF].

These reports are not required when a PAC or Party Committee makes a contribution directly to a candidate.



## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20163

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BRUCE BLOCH, TREASURER CHUCK FLUME FOR CONGRESS 208 N RING DOVE DR LAS VEGAS, NV 89144

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00480434

REFERENCE: OCTOBER QUARTERLY REPORT 7/1/2010 - 9/30/2010

DEAR TREASURER:

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IT HAS COME TO THE ATTENTION OF THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION THAT YOU MAY HAVE FAILED TO FILE THE ABOVE REFERENCED REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES AS REQUIRED BY THE FEDERAL ELECTION CAMPAIGN ACT, AS AMENDED.

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU KILE THIS REPORT IMMEDIATELY WITE THE FEDERAL EDECTION COMMISSION, 999 E STRUET, N.W., WESHINGTON, B.C. 20463 FOR HOUSE CANDIDATES, OR THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE, 232 HART SENATE OFFICE BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510 (MAILING ADDRESS: OFFICE OF PUBLIC RECORDS, P.O. BOX 2517, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22301), FOR SHELTE CAMBIDATES. PLEASE HOTE THAT RESCRINC FILER HUBE SUBMIT THEIR REPORTS ELECTROLICABLY, AS BER 11 CTR \$104.18. A COPY OF THE REPORT MUST ALSO BE FILED WITE THE INCRETARY OF STATE OR EQUIVALENT STATE OFFICER UNDESS THE STATE IS BREMPT FROM THE FEDERAL REQUIREMENT TO RECEIVE AND MAINTAIN PAPER COPIES. YOU CAN VERIFY THE COMMISSION'S RECEIPT OF ANY DOCUMENTS SUBMITTED BY YOUR COMMITTEE ON THE FEC WEBSITE AT WWW.FEC.GOV.

THE FAILURE TO TIMELT FILE THIS REPORT MAY RESULT IN CIVIL MONEY PENALTIES, AN AUDIT OR LEGAL ENFORCEMENT ACTION. THE CIVIL MONEY PENALTY CALCULATION FOR LATE REPORTS DOES NOT INCLUDE A GRACE PERIOD AND BEGINS ON THE DAY FOLLOWING THE DUE DATE FOR THE REPORT. DUE TO HEIGHTENED SECURITY SCREENING MEASURES, DELIVERY OF MAIL BY THE US POSTAL SERVICE MAY BE DELAYED. THE COMMISSION RECOMMENDS THAT YOU SUBMIT YOUR REPORT VIA OVERWIGHT DELIVERY OR GOURIER SERVICE.

TP YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGRUDING TRIS MATTER, PLBASE CONTACT IAN WANDNER AT OUR TOLL FREE NUMBER (800)424-9530. OUR DIRECT LOCAL NUMBER IS (202)694-1130.

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ASSISTANT STAFF DIRECTER

REPORTS ANALYSIS DIVISION (RAD)





March 23, 2011

#### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

The Commission

Through:

Alec Palmer Sa Charles Acting Staff Director

From:

Patricia Carmona 40

Chief Compliance Officer

Dayna C. Brown

**Reviewing Officer** 

Office of Administrative Review

Subject:

Reviewing Officer Recommendation in AF# 2215 - Chuck Flume for

Congress and Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer

(C00480434)

The attached Reviewing Officer Recommendation is being circulated on an informational basis. A copy was also sent to the respondents in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The respondents may file with the Commission Secretary a written response within 10 days of transmittal of the recommendation.

After the 10 day period, the Reviewing Officer Recommendation and the respondents' written response, if any, will be circulated to the Conemission to make a final determination.

Please note that the respondents filed a Termination Report on March 18, 2011.

Attachment



## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

March 23, 2011

## REVIEWING OFFICER RECOMMENDATION OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW ("OAR")

AF# 2215 - Chuck Flume for Congress and Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer (C00480434)

#### **Summary of Recommendation**

Make a final determination that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a \$0 civil money penalty.

#### Reason-to-Believe Background

On December 15, 2010, the Commission found reason to believe ("RTB") that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2010 October Quarterly Report and made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$2,970 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. A letter was mailed to the respondents' address of record from the Reports Analysis Division ("RAD") on December 21, 2010 to notify them of the Commission's RTB finding and civil money penalty. The letter was undeliverable at the address of record, therefore on December 30, a copy of the letter was sent to an alternate address previously provided by the respondents. The letter was successfully delivered on Janeary 3, 2011.

#### Legal Requirements

The Federal Election Campaign Act ("Act") states that the treasurer of a principal campaign committee of a candidate shall file a report for the period ending September 30 no later than October 15. 2 U.S.C. § 434(a)(2)(A)(iii) and 11 C.F.R. § 104.5(a)(1)(i). Reports electronically filed must be received and validated at or before 11:59 p.m., Eastern Standard/Daylight Time on October 15 to be timely filed. 11 C.F.R. §§ 100.19(c) and 104.5(e). October Quarterly Reports sent by certified or registered mail, Priority or Express Mail with delivery confirmation, or by an overnight delivery service with an on-line tracking system and scheduled for next business day delivery must be postmasked or deposited with the mailing service no later than October 15 to be timely filed. The treasurer shall be personally responsible for the timely filing of reports. 11 C.F.R. § 104.14(d).

#### Respondents' Challenge

On January 24, 2011, the Commission received the written response ("challenge") from the Treasurer challenging the RTB finding and associated penalty. The Treasurer states that the the July Quarterly Report should have been their final report, as activity ceased and all funds were disbursed during this reporting period. Therefore, the October Quarterly Report was not required and no fine should be assessed. The Treasurer is willing to take the necessary steps to close the campaign.

#### **Analysis**

Because the respondents did not file a Termination Report on or before October 15, 2010, indicating that: the Committee will no longer receive contributions or make disbursements; that there are no outstanding debts or obligations; and the purpose for which any residual funds will be used, they were required to file the October Quarterly Report. 11 C.F.R. § 102.3 and 2 U.S.C. § 433(d)(1). The respondents were notified of this filing requirement, as well as the due date of the report, before and after the filing deadline.

On September 21, 2010, the Commission sent the Prior Notice for the 2010 October Quarterly Report to "chuck@chuckflumeforcongress.com," the email address listed on their Statement of Organization. The "Who Must File" section on Page 2 of the notice states that a committee must file a termination report with the Commission and the Commission must notify them in writing that the termination report hes been accepted irefore a committee can stop filing with the Commission. Additionally, on November 4, 2010, the Commission sent the respondents a non-filer notice at their address of record. The non-filer notice instructs the respondents to immediately file the report with the Commission and advises that the failure to file reports timely may result in civil money penalties.

Under the administrative fine regulations, one of the criteria used to calculate the civil money penalty is the level of activity. 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(d). At the time of the RTB finding for the October Quarterly Report, the Commission had not received the respondents' report; therefore, the estimated level of activity (\$51,165) was used to calculate the RTB civil money penalty. 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(d)(2)(i). The respondents filed a paper copy of the report covering the October Quarterly reporting period on March 18, 2011. It discloses no receipts and no disbursements, resulting in a level of activity of \$0 for the reporting period. Since the level of activity is \$0 and the schedule of civil money penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(a) only provides for civil money penalties if the level of activity is \$1.00 or more, no civil money penalty should be assessed against the respondents.

Their challenge fails to address any of the three valid grounds at 11 C.F.R § 111.35(b). These are: (i) the RTB finding is based on factual errors; and/or (ii) the improper calculation of the civil money penalty; snd/or (iii) they used best efforts to file on time but were prevented from doing so by reasonably unforeseen circumstances that were beyond their control and they filed the report no later than 24 hours after the end of these circumstances. Therefore, the Reviewing Officer recommends that the Commission make a final determination that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and assess a civil money penalty of \$0.

#### **OAR Recommendations**

- (1) Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 2215 involving Chuck Flume for Congress and Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination;
- (2) Make a final determination in AF# 2215 that Chuck Flume for Congress and Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity disclosed on the paper copy of the report (\$0), assess a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$2,970); and
- (3) Send the appropriate letter.

Reviewing Officer: Dayna C. Brown

#### Attachments

Attachment 1 – Challenge Received from Respondents Attachment 2 – Declaration from RAD

Attachment 3 – Declaration from OAR

#### DECLARATION OF DAYNA C. BROWN

- 1) I am the Reviewing Officer in the Office of Administrative Review for the Federal Election Commission ("Commission"). In my capacity as Reviewing Officer, I conduct research with respect to all challenges submitted in accordance with the Administrative Fine program.
- 2) The 2010 October Quarterly Report, is due October 15, 2010. Reports sent by certified or registered mail, Priority or Express Mail with delivery confirmation, or by an overnight delivery service with an on-line tracking system must be postmarked or deposited with the mailing service no later than October 15 to be timely filed.
- 3) I hereby certify that I have searched the Commission's public records and that the documents identified herein are true and accurate copies of:
  - a) Page 1 of the Statement of Organization filed by Chuck Flume for Congress and Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer. According to the Commission's records, the document is dated March 19, 2010, was received April 7, 2010, and lists "chuck@chuckflumeforcongress.com" as the Committee's email address;
  - b) Page 1 of the Summary Page, Page 3 and 4 of the Detailed Summary Page, and the Envelope Replacement Page for the paper report for Chuck Flume for Congress and Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer. According to the Commission's records, the paper report covers the period from July 1, 2010 through September 30, 2010, was sent via Federal Express, Next Business Day Delivery on March 18, and was received on March 21, 2011. Line 16 lists \$0 in total receipts and Line 22 lists \$0 in total disbursements for the period.
- 4) Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct and that this declaration was executed at Washington on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2011.

Dayna C. Brown Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review Federal Election Commission

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#### VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

March 24, 2011

Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer Chuck Flume for Congress 208 N. Ring Dove Dr. Las Vegas, NV 89144

C00480434 AF# 2215

Dear Mr. Bloch:

On December 15, 2010, the Federal Election Commission ("Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Chuck Flume for Congress and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer ("respondents"), violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2010 October Quarterly Report. The Commission also made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$2,970 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

After reviewing the written response and any supplemental information submitted by you and Commission staff, the Reviewing Officer has recommended that the Commission make a final determination in this matter. A copy of the Reviewing Officer's recommendation is attached.

You may file with the Commission Secretsry a written response at the renormendation within 10 days of the date of this letter. Your written response should be sent to the Commission Secretary, 999 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20463. As a result of the enthrax threat in the Washington, DC area, US Postal Service mail delivery to federal agencies, including the Commission, has been interrupted. Until regular mail delivery ressmen, you may also file your written response with the Commission Secretary via fansimile (202-208-3333) or by courier at the same address (if you use an overnight delivery service, please use zip code 20004 instead of zip code 20463). Please include the AF # in your response. Your response may not raise any arguments not raised in your original written response or not directly responsive to the Reviewing Officer's recommendation. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). The Commission will then make a final determination in this matter.

Please contact me at the toll free number 8fi0-424-9530 (press 0, then press 1660) ar 202-694-1660 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dayna C. Brown Reviewing Officer

Office of Administrative Review

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cc: 1401 Hillshire Drive, Suite 150 Las Vegas, NV 89134-6366 Attachment





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April 13, 2011

#### **MEMORANDUM**

**SENSITIVE** 

To:

The Commission

Through:

Alec Palmer

**Acting Staff Director** 

From:

Patricia Carmona 90

**Chief Compliance Officer** 

Dayna C. Brown 90%

**Reviewing Officer** 

Office of Administrative Review

Subject:

Final Determination Recommendation in AF# 2215 - Chuck Flume for Congress

and Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer (C00480434)

On December 15, 2010, the Commission found reason to believe ("RTB") that the respondents violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2010 October Quartorly Report. As a result, the Commission also made a preliminary determination that the civil money penalty was \$2,970 based on the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43.

On March 18, 2011, the respondents filed a paper copy of the October Quarterly Report, and disclosed \$0 in total receipts and \$0 in total disbursements. Since the paper copy of the report indicates that the Committee had no activity during reporting period, and the schedule of penalties at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43(a) only provides for civil money penalties if the level of activity is \$1.00 or more, no civil money penalty would have been essessed had the paper copy of the report been filed prior to the RTB finding.

On January 24, 2011, the Commission received the respondents' written response ("challenge"). After reviewing the challenge, the Reviewing Officer's recommendation dated March 23, 2011 was forwarded to the Commission, a copy was sent to the respondents, and is hereby incorporated by reference. The Reviewing Officer recommended that the Commission make a final determination that they violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and based on the actual level of activity for the October Quarterly reporting period (\$0), assess a civil money penalty of \$0 because they submitted no evidence that a faetual error was made in the RTB finding, that the penalty was roiscalculated at RTB or that they used best efforts to file on time. 11 C.F.R. § 111.35(b).

Within 10 days of transmittal of the recommendation, the respondents may file a written response with the Commission Secretary which may not raise any arguments not raised in the respondents' challenge or not directly responsive to the Reviewing Officer's recommendation. 11 C.F.R. § 111.36(f). As of this date, a written response has not been received.

#### **OAR Recommendations**

- (1) Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 2215 involving Chuck Flume for Congress and Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination;
- (2) Make a final determination in AF# 2215 that Chuck Flume for Congress and Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity disclosed on the paper copy of the report (\$0), assess a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$2,970); and
- (3) Send the appropriate letter.

#### BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of	)
Final Determination Recommendation:	) ) AF 2215
Chuck Flume for Congress and Bruce	)
Bloch, in his official capacity as	)
Treasurer (C00480434)	)

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I, Shawn Woodhead Werth, Secretary and Clerk of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on April 29, 2011, the Commission decided by a vote of 6-0 to take the following actions in AF 2215:

- 1. Adopt the Reviewing Officer recommendation for AF# 2215 involving Chuck Flume for Congress and Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer, in making the final determination.
- 2. Make a final determination in AF# 2215 that Chuck Flume for Congress and Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurur, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity disclosed on the paper copy of the report (\$0), assess a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from the RTB civil money of \$2,970).
- 3. Send the appropriate letter.

Commissioners Bauerly, Hunter, McGahn II, Petersen, Walther, and Weintraub voted affirmatively for the decision.

Attest:

Shawn Woodhead Werth

Secretary and Clerk of the Commission



May 3, 2011

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Bruce Bloch, in his official capacity as Treasurer Chuck Flume for Congress 208 N Ring Dove Drive Las Vegas, NV 89144

C00480434 AF# 2215

Dear Mr. Bloch:

On December 15, 2010, the Federal Election Commission ("the Commission") found reason to believe ("RTB") that Chuck Flume for Congress and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) for failing to file the 2010 October Quarterly Report. By letter dated December 21, 2010, the Commission sent you notification of the RTB finding that included a civil money penalty calculated at RTB of \$2,970 in accordance with the schedule of penaltics at 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. On January 24, 2011, the Office of Administrative Review received your written response, challenging the RTB civil money penalty.

The Reviewing Officer reviewed the Commission's RTB finding with its supporting documentation and the written response. Based on this review, the Reviewing Officer recommended that the Commission reduce the RTB civil money penalty because it was calculated using an estimated level of activity, make a final determination that Chuck Flume for Congress and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the actual level of activity disclosed on the paper copy of the October Quarterly Report filed March 18, 2011 (\$0), assess a civil money penalty in the amount of \$0 in accordance with 11 C.F.R. § 111.43. The basis for the Reviewing Officer's recommendation was included in the Final Determination Report, a copy of which was sent to you on March 24, 2011.

On April 29, 2011, the Commission adopted the Reviewing Officer's recommendation, made a final determination that Chuck Flume for Congress and you, in your official capacity as Treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. § 434(a) and, based on the level of activity disclosed on the paper copy of the October Quarterly Report (\$0), assessed a civil money penalty of \$0 (reduced from the RTB civil money penalty of \$2,970). It is based on the same factors used to calculate the civil money penalty at RTB except that the actual rather than the estimated level of activity was used. A copy of the final determination recommendation is attached.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. The file will be made a part of the public record pursuant to

11 C.F.R. § 111.42(b). Although the file must be placed on the public record within 30 days from the date of the Commission's notification, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote.

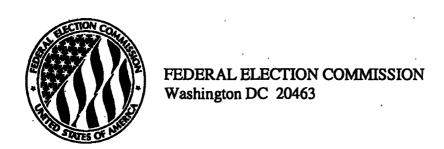
If you have any questions, please contact Dayna Brown on our toll free number (800)424-9530 (press 0, then ext. 1660) or (202)694-1660.

On behalf of the Commission,

Cynthia L. Bauerly

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## THIS IS THE END OF ADMINISTRATIVE FINE CASE # 2215

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